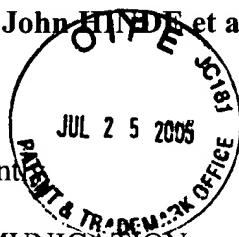


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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment is submitted in reply to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed on June 20, 2005, a reply to which is initially due on **July 20, 2005**, and is intended to replace the Preliminary Amendment previously submitted concurrently with the above-identified Divisional Application filed under 35 U.S.C. 121. Preliminary to examining the Application, please enter the following amendments.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Abstract begin on page 4 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 5 of this paper.

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